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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

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Paul A. Ragusa (Reg. No. 38,587)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the office action mailed on March 11, 2002. A check is enclosed for the \$460.00 fee for an extension of time (small entity). Please amend the application as set forth below and reconsider the application in accordance with the following remarks.

Please replace original claims 1 and 8 with the following replacement claims 1

and 8:

1. (amended) A method for communicating command information between a server and a client across a network in an interactive communication system, comprising:

generating a command message including a command, a command descriptor, and one of a server route and a command node; and

transmitting the command message across a network upon occurrence of a triggering event.

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